

To-day's
Advertisements.

BIJOU THEATRE.

RECLAMATION GROUND, PRAVA WEST.
D'ARCS' MARIONETTES.
TO-NIGHT
(TUESDAY), the 21st February,
LAST NIGHT BUT
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The Marvellous Donkey.
&c. &c.
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"LION AND ROSE" LODGE.
GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND, LTD.

THE above LODGE holds its MEETINGS
every TUESDAY, at the PORTSMAN'S
ARMS, Queen's Road West, at 8 P.M.
Visiting Brothers are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1899. [249a]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions
from H. M. NAVAL STORE OFFICER
to sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON
(WEDNESDAY), the 1st March, 1899,
at NOON,
at H. M. NAVAL YARD,
SUNDRY NAVAL AND VICTUALLING
OBsolete & CONDEMNED
STORES.

Comprising:—
OLD IRON, PAPER STUFF, RAGS,
CANVAS, CLOTHING, IMPLEMENTS,
&c. &c.

ALSO
A MATSHED situated on the BRICQUETTE
FACTORY PREMISES at KOWLOON.
TERMS of SALE—As customary.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1899. [248a]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN."
Captain Ranch, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 24th instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARSEN & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1899. [250a]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHELYDRA."
Captain Davies, will be despatched as above
on THURSDAY, the 28th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1899. [246a]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their
Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining
on board, after Noon, the 23rd instant will be
landed at Consignees' risk and expense into
Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1899. [247a]

THE MUTUAL STORES.

25, 26 & 30, RUTLAND STREET.

THE BEST VALUE IN THE COLONY

FOR

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

Intimation.



A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ESTABLISHED 1841.

PORTS

(For Invalids and General Use.)

B.—VINTAGE, superior quality,
Red Capsule \$14.40

C.—FINE OLD VINTAGE, super-
ior quality, Black
Seal Capsule 18.20

D.—VERY FINE OLD VINTAGE
extra superior, Violet
Capsule (Old Bottled) 20.40

Port after removal should be rested
for a month before use. Wine re-
quired for drinking at once should be
ordered to be decanted at the Dis-
pensary before being sent out.

These Wines are too favourably
known to need comment.

Sample bottles and smaller quanti-
ties will be supplied at proportionate
wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and
Spirits to be genuine when bought
direct from us in the Colony or from
our authorised Agents at the Coast
Ports.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited,
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

BIRTH.

At 27, Boone Road, Shanghai, on the 12th
of February, the wife of GERARD DIEDERICH,
(Engineer), of a son.

MARRIAGE.

On the 11th of February, before H.B.M.'s
Consul, and at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shang-
hai, by the Rev. H. C. Hodges, ANDREW W.
MATLAND, to EMMA T. GOODFELLOW.

DEATHS.

At Shanghai, China, on the 8th of February,
DONALD CAMPBELL LANDELLS, a native of
Oban, Scotland, aged 35 years.—Glasgow
papers please copy.

At No. 4, Miller Road, Shanghai, on the 12th
of February, JOHN G. HAMLYN, aged 62 years.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1899.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE FRENCH PRESIDENTIAL
ELECTION.

LONDON, February 19th.

The election of M. Loubet was supported by
the Radicals and Dreyfusites and that of M.
Meline by the Moderates and Anti-Dreyfusites.

An article by M. de Beaurepaire published on
Saturday virulent attacks M. Loubet, accusing
him of, when Premier, shielding Baron Reinach
from prosecution in the Panama scandals.

Hostile demonstrations with shouts of Panama
marked M. Loubet's return to Paris. M.
Delouvede harangued the mob and invited a
great demonstration against the present regime
on the occasion of the late President's funeral.

Disturbances which continued until past mid-
night resulted in forty-six injured persons and
two hundred and fifty arrests.

The Anti-Dreyfusite papers denounced the
election as a public misfortune and M. Loubet
as a mediocrity tainted with the Panama Scand-
als. The Moderate journals and the Revisi-
onists eulogize M. Loubet's uprightness and
pious Union and pacification.

REWARDS FOR LORD KITCHENER.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach will submit a vote
of £30,000 to the House of Commons for the
purchase of an annuity for Lord Kitchener.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:—On the 21st
at 11.40 a.m. The barometer has risen slightly
on the S. coast of China, fallen considerably on
the E. coast. Pressure is highest over N. China,
and a depression is moving Northwards to the
West of the Loochoos. Gradients steep in the
North, moderate in the South. FORECAST:—
Fresh N. winds; dull with rain at first, probably
improving later.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

YESTERDAY a lot of Crown Land situated on
Barker Road at the Penk was sold by public
auction. The lot comprised 24,300 square feet
and was knocked down to Mr. W. Newton for
\$2,491.

THE revenue derived from the petroleum
wells of Burma increased from R.177,000 to
R.261,000 last year. A great future awaits
petroleum as fuel, especially where coal is
almost prohibitive in price.

As will be seen by reference to our advertise-
ment columns, the "Lion and Rose" Lodge of
the R. A. O. B. meets every Tuesday evening
at the Sportsman's Arms Hotel. Visiting
Brothers are invited to attend.

THE China Gazette learns that it has now
been definitely fixed that Nanking is to be
declared open as a Treaty Port from March
1st, while Nanking, in Kwangsi, is also to
be opened to trade at an early date.

THE Straits Times understands that the Singa-
pore authorities are in communication with the
leading Chinese in the colony, with a view to
taking such steps as may in some degree ob-
viate the evils which have followed the repeal
of the C. D. Acts. The restoration of these
Acts is not the question, but it is hoped some
way may be found out of the present dangerous
situation.

A SHOCKING fatality was reported to the
Shanghai police on 10th inst. by Captain
Hanson of the sailing vessel *Osaka*. It appears
that the mate, whilst returning to the ship in a
sloop, missed his footing in attempting to
scramble up the gangway and fell into the river.
The deceased, named Rowende, aged 35, was
not seen again. The matter is in the hands of
the River Police.

THE many friends of Capt. Wingate, who left
Peking recently for an overland journey to
Burma nearly along the same route as the late
Mr. Margary, says the *Shanghai Daily Press*,
are getting very anxious as no news has been
heard of him for some time, and the road is
known to be dangerous. Capt. Wingate had
no European companions with him, but only an
interpreter and two servants.

PERHAPS the following will assist in showing
how the ties for the Shield matches are
arranged:—Eighteen teams having entered for
the competition, the first round consisted of two
matches only. The two winning teams in the
first round together with the fourteen teams that
drew byes in the first round gave—8
matches for 2nd round; 4 matches for 3rd
round; 2 matches for semi-finals, and 1 match
for final.

A CHUNGKING telegram of 11th inst. to the
N. C. D. News says:—Mr. Litton, H.M.
Consul, has returned from Kueiyang. It is
rumoured that has reported to Peking strongly
condemning the conduct of the Governor of
Kueichow, to whose hostility the murder of
Mr. Fleming was due. He took no steps to do
justice except under compulsion. It is hoped
that Sir Claude Macdonald will take action
in the matter of the Governor's conduct.

A SERIOUS fire, causing the death of a Chinese
girl 9 years of age by suffocation, broke out in
Fukien Road at an early hour on Sunday
morning, says the *N. C. D. News* of 14th inst.,
and before the firemen could get it under six
native houses and shops were destroyed and
four others damaged. The water supply, though
somewhat better than on the occasion of the
recent fire in Chekiang Road, was still at very
low pressure, which naturally impeded the
efforts of the Brigade. During the progress of
the flames a somewhat alarming accident befell
P. C. Lundquist, who sustained fairly consider-
able injuries to his head through the falling of
a wall. The damage was, we understand,
covered by insurance.

A WUCHANG dispatch reports the expected
arrival at that city of H.E. Yu Yin-lin, the new
Governor-designate of Hupoh, about the 20th
instant, to take over his seals of office. It will
be remembered that soon after the coup d'etat
last September Tsing Ho, a nephew of Yu Lu,
Viceroy of Chihli, was appointed Governor of
Hupoh to keep a watch over Chang Chih-tung's
movements; but Tsing Ho was cashiered and
dismissed for ever for a too progressive mem-
orial he had sent soon after his appointment
Yu, who was Provincial Treasurer of Formosa
at the time the island was ceded to Japan, how-
ever, appears to be a progressive official also
and so may be expected to work hand in hand
with Viceroy Chang in Hupoh.

THE Football Shield Committee met last night
and drew the ties for the third round and for
the semi-finals as follows:—

1.—Royal Engineer v. Winner of (A Company,
R. W. F. v. Hongkong Football Club.)

To be played on Saturday, March 4th.

II.—35th Company, Eastern Division, R. A. v.
H.M.S. *Porpoise*.

To be played on or before March 11th.

III.—H.M.S. *Victorious* v. Winner of (25th
Company, Southern Division, R. A. v. B.
Company, R. W. F.)

To be played on Thursday, March 9th.

IV.—G. Company, R. W. F. v. 38 Company,
Southern Division, R. A.

To be played on Saturday, March 11th.

This round must be completed on or before
March 11th.

SEMI-FINALS.

Winner of IV. v. Winner of II.

To be played on Thursday, March 16th.

Winner of III. v. Winner of I.

To be played on Saturday, March 18th.

FINAL.

The final tie for the Hongkong Football
Challenge Shield will be played on Saturday,
March 25th on the ground of the Hongkong
Football Club.

The first mentioned team in each tie has
choice of ground and must supply ball.

Matches must commence not later than half-
past four.

MUCH interest has been excited in the neigh-
bourhood, says a home paper, by the announce-
ment that a lizard had been discovered alive in
a lump of Derby Brights coal in Teddington.
Mrs. Pippet, wife of Dr. Pippet, of Wildhurst,
Colts Hill-road, Teddington, it is stated, made
the discovery. The page broke a piece of the
coal, and curled up in a little hollow inside
Mrs. Pippet found the animal, it being in a co-
mote state. Dr. Pippet advised that it should
be put into hot sand, and under the gradual
warmth it soon became lively. The creature is
nothing like any English lizard. In length it
is 6 in. from head to tail, of a curious black in
colour, with yellow streaked belly, and skin of
a "knobby," though quite soft texture. Its
head and feet are its most remarkable points.
It has a broad flat head, its mouth and nostrils
are sealed tightly as if they had grown so with
disuse, and its eyes, dark green in colour, only
emerged the day after its discovery from a heavy
lid skin which hung over them. It is sup-
posed to be a relic of the Carboniferous age,
and its destination will probably be the Nat-
ural History Museum at South Kensington.
Dr. Pippet has had many callers to see the
strange creature, amongst them being an
American scientist of repute as an authority on
reptiles. He stated that he had never met a
similar reptile, that he believed it belonged to
an extinct species. He also stated that the
creature's limbs resembled those of the quad-
rumans rather than of the reptiles.

HONGKONG RACES, 1899.

STEWARDS—His Excellency Sir Henry A.
Blake, G.C.M.G.; His Excellency Vice-Admiral
Sir Edward M. Seymour, K.C.B.; His Excel-
lency Major-General W. J. Gascoigne, C.M.G.;
S. C. Holland, R.N., Lieut. Rear-Admiral
Colonel The O'Gorman, C.S.O.; The Hon. J. J.
Bell-Irving; C. F. Harton, Esq.; The Hon. C.
P. Chater, C.M.G.; T. Jackson, Esq.; D. Gilles,
Esq.; The Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G.; R. M.
Gray, Esq.; The Hon. T. H. Whitehead; M.
Grote, Esq.

CLERK OF J.—Lt. Colonel The O'Gorman, C.S.O.

SALES—C. F. Harton, Esq.

JUDGE—The Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G.

ASSISTANT JUDGE—The Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G.

STARTER—M. Grote, Esq.

SECOND STARTER—A. S. Anton, Esq.

HON. TREASURER—J. C. Peter, Esq.

CLERK OF THE COURSE—T. F. Hough, Esq.

FIRST DAY, TUESDAY, 21ST FEBRUARY, 1899.

Early this morning crowds of natives flocked
to the Race Course, and when the first race was
rung, thousands flocked to the stands and Happy
Valley ground. Before tiffin European sight-
seers were not numerous, but afterwards a
good number put in an appearance, not-
withstanding the threatening weather, and on
the whole the first day of the meeting went
off very well, although most of the fields
were small. The whole Valley was an
array of colour, and the private stands of the
Jockey Club looked pretty indeed with their
coloured flags and decorations. Mr. Mody's
(Buxy, owner of the Derby winner), being
particularly well-dressed in the owner's colours,
blue and white, by Mr. W. Farmer. Amongst
the notables present were Sir Henry Blake
and Major-General Gascoigne. Unfortunately
at the commencement of the ninth race rain fell
and drove spectators to seek shelter.

The Government made a very good thing out
of the letting of allotments for the erection of
sheds and stands, realizing the large sum of ten
thousand six hundred dollars.

There is one thing the Jockey Club have yet
to learn, that is how to treat pressmen. Not
even a table was provided for writing purposes,
nor a place of shelter from the rain. This is
far different from the way in which the press
people are treated in Shanghai—reports of the
races, however, are expected.

THE WONG-NEI-CHONG STAKES, a sweepstakes
of \$5 each with \$100 added; second pony to
receive \$50; for China ponies; weight for in-
ches as per scale; griffins on date of entry
allowed 3 lbs.; Subscription Griffins of this
season, 1898-99, allowed 7 lbs. Half a mile.
Capt. Lambton's g. Ute, 11st 11lb. Mr. Moller 1
Mr. John Peel's g. Grasshopper, 11st 11lb. Mr. Master 2
Mr. Glenday's g. Cairngorm, 11st 11lb. Mr. Cumming 3
Mr. Buxy's d. g. Wood Rose, 10st 12lb. Mr. Willeumier 4
Mr. Derick-Hunter's g. Sandstorm, 11st 11lb. Mr. Burkill 5
Mr. Glenday's g. Forest King, 11st 11lb. Mr. Cumming 6
Mr. Buxy's g. Tube Rose, 11st 11lb. Mr. Willeumier 7
Mr. Orr's d. Rookwood, 11st 7lb. Mr. Moller 8
Mr. John Peel's g. Queensberry, 11st 11lb. Mr. Master 9

*Allowed 3 lbs.

A good start, Cairngorm taking the lead, Wood
Rose 1st. On nearing the village Grasshopper
went to the front, Cairngorm, Ute, and Wood
Rose following in that order. Positions were
still the same on entering the home stretch, but
when about half way up Ute closed on Grass-
hopper and ran in a winner by a length and a half
ahead, Cairngorm following half a length behind,
for third place. Time 1.03.1. Moller rode a good
race.

THE "VICTORIA" STAKES, a sweepstakes of
\$10 each with \$50 added; second pony to
receive \$50; for China ponies; weight for in-
ches as per scale. One Mile.
Mr. Derick-Hunter's g. Sandstorm, 11st 11lb. Mr. Burkill 1
Mr. Glenday's g. Forest King, 11st 11lb. Mr. Cumming 2
Mr. Buxy's g. Tube Rose, 11st 11lb. Mr. Willeumier 3
Mr. Orr's d. Rookwood, 11st 7lb. Mr. Moller 4
Mr. John Peel's g. Queensberry, 11st 11lb. Mr. Master 5

Five started. After a couple of attempts,
Rookwood got away with the lead, followed by
Queensberry and Forest King. At the bridge
Rookwood still led, but Forest King had headed
Queensberry. On approaching the Black Rock
Forest King drew level with Rookwood,
Sandstorm being third. At the village Forest
King took a slight lead, but on entering the
home straight Sandstorm drew up to Rookwood
and when half way up caught Forest King, and
when about half a furlong from the winning
post led by a good two lengths; Forest King
made an effort, but failed to catch Sandstorm by
a bare length. Tube Rose was a good third.
Time 2.19.1.

THE MAIDEN STAKES, value \$400; second
pony to receive \$75; third \$50; for China
ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance
weight for inches as per scale; entrance \$10.
Three-Quarters of a Mile.
Mr. John Peel's g. Yellow Dwarf, 10st 10lb. Mr. Master 1
Mr. Buxy's g. Rose de France, 10st 12lb. Mr. Willeumier 2
Mr. Derick-Hunter's b. Mainstay, 11st 11lb. Mr. Burkill 3
Mr. David's d. Dunrobin, 11st 11lb. Mr. Reynell 4
Mr. John Peel's blk. Minstrel, 10st 12lb. Mr. Burkill 5

Out of 17 entries there were only five start-
ers. A processional race, but a very good
start, Mainstay taking the lead, followed by
Yellow Dwarf and Dunrobin. When the back
stretch was reached Mainstay led by 3 lengths,
lengths dividing Dunrobin. At the village
Rookwood Yellow Dwarf led, and Rose de France
took third place. When the Village was reached
Yellow Dwarf led, Mainstay taking the lead
of Rose de France. On coming up the home
straight Master gave Yellow Dwarf rein and the
pony ran home an easy winner by 6 lengths.
Eight lengths divided Rose de France and
Mainstay. The time was better than any of the
other races—1.39. Dunrobin, fourth, carried
2lbs over weight.

THE VALLEY STAKES, a sweepstakes of \$5
each with \$100 added; first pony to receive
70 per cent; second, 20 per cent; third, 10
per cent; for Subscription Griffins of this
season, 1898-99; weight for inches as per
scale. Three-Quarters of a Mile.
Mr. Derick-Hunter's g. Ultimatum, 10st 9lb. Mr. Burkill 1
Messrs. McKie & Gove's g. Strathfild, 10st 12lb. Mr. Crawford 2
Mr. John Peel's g. Jim Crack, 10st 10lb. Mr. Master 3
Mr. Darius' spd. Woodcock, 11st 3lb. Mr. Reynell 4
Mr. Robert Gordon's pbd. Athos, 10st 9lb. Mr. Owen 5
Mr. Jay's d. Greif, 11st 9lb. Mr. W. Cox 6
Mr. Ellis Kelly's g. Sirdar, 11st 11lb. Mr. Cumming 7
Capt. Lambton's b. Amoy, 10st 12lb. Mr. Moller 8
Mr. J. H. Lewis' g. Reveller, 10st 12lb. Mr. P. A. Cox 9
Mr. Pogoda's d. Tourist, 10st 6lb. Mr. Willeumier 10
Mr. Tierce's spd. Variety, 10st 9lb. Mr. Crickshank 11

A good field of eleven starters, and Amoy
took the lead of a fair start. Prince following
second, and Jim Crack third. Amoy led the

Prince after passing the Black Rock by five
lengths, and Jim Crack took third place. At
the village Jim Crack passed Amoy; but when
the home straight was reached Ultimatum
drew out of the bunch and passed the leaders
half a furlong from home, winning a good race
by 3/4 of a length. Strathfild, who had also
spurred and passed Jim Crack by half a length.
The Prince carried 2 lbs extra. Time, 1.41.1.

THE FOCHOW CUP, value \$250; presented by
the Fochow community; second pony to
receive \$50; for China ponies; weight for
inches as per scale; entrance \$5; Two Miles.
Messrs. McKie & Gove's g. Menel, 10st 12lb. Mr. Crawford 1
Mr. W. W. Cox 2
Mr. Buxy's ch. Wild Rose, 10st 12lb. Mr. Willeumier 3
Mr. John Peel's blk. Obi, 11st 9lb. Mr. Cumming 4
Mr. Hopeful's g. Tine, 11st 11lb. Mr. Crickshank 5

Out of 13 entries, there was a poor field of
two starters, Tine and Menel, the former
having the best of a good start. At the bridge
Tine kept the lead, and the same positions
were maintained until the bridge was nearly
reached, when Tine's jockey pulled up,
evidently forgetting the number of rounds, and
Menel went to the front, but Cox saw his
mistake and spurred and won the race by at
least 20 lengths. The time was fairly good,
with only two ponies running—4.44.

THE HONGKONG DERBY, a sweepstakes of \$20
each with \$150 added; (half forfeit if de-
clared on or before day of closing entries);
for China ponies; weight for inches as per
scale. One Mile and a Half.
Mr. Buxy's ch. Wild Rose, 10st 12lb. Mr. Willeumier 1
Messrs. McKie & Gove's blk. Strathmore, 10st 12lb. Mr. Crawford 2
Mr. John Peel's d. Seaweed, 11st 11lb. Mr. Master 3
Mr. David's g. Ivanhoe, 11st 11lb. Mr. Moller 4
Do. Douglas, 11st 7lb. Mr. Reynell 5
Mr. Derick-Hunter's g. Century, 11st 11lb. Mr. Burkill 6
Mr. Glenday's b. Aberdeen, 11st 11lb. Mr. Cumming 7
Mr. Hopeful's blk. Obi, 11st 9lb. Mr. W. W. Cox 8
Mr. J. H. Lewis' b. The Wizard, 11st 11lb. Mr. P. A. Cox 9
Mr. John Peel's m. Centipede, 11st 11lb. Mr. Crickshank 10

The principal race of the day brought out to
starters out of 21 entries, Obi being favourite.
Centipede spoiled the first attempt to start, and
after a couple more bids Obi took the lead of a
very good send off, Seaweed and Black Rose
close up. At the Black Rock Wizard drew into
second place, and the two leaders maintained
the lead to the Village. Obi running third and
Wild Rose fourth. Passing the stand for the
first time the positions were—Seaweed, Century,
Douglas and Centipede, but at the Bridge they
changed to Seaweed, Century, Obi and Wild
Rose, Aberdeen being last. On approaching the
Rock Centipede was finished. On reaching the
village a second time Wild Rose took the
lead by four lengths ahead of Seaweed, Cen-
tury and Strathmore following in that order,
but up the home stretch Wild Rose opened out
and won by 8 lengths ahead of Strathmore who
had passed Seaweed and Century. Seaweed
was a very good third. The time was the
slowest since 1888—3.29.1.

THE LUSITANO CUP, presented by the Members
of the Club Lusitano; second pony to receive
\$50; for Club ponies; weight for inches as per
scale; entrance \$5; for China ponies; weight
for inches as per scale; previous winners at
this meeting 7 lbs. extra; Subscription
Griffins of this season, 1898-99, allowed 7 lbs.
entrance \$10. One Mile and a Quarter.

Mr. Derick-Hunter's b. Charger, 11st 11lb. Mr. Burkill 1
Mr. John Peel's spd. Montebello, 10st 12lb. Mr. Master 2
Mr. Buxy's w. White Rose, 11st 11lb. Mr

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

The thirteenth annual general meeting of Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., was held to-day at the Registered Offices of the Company, Nos. 38 and 40 Queen's Road Central. Mr. H. Humphreys presided. The others present were—Messrs J. A. Jupp, G. C. Cox, A. H. Mancell, J. A. Terrant, and W. C. Taylor (Secretary).

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, the Report and Statement of accounts have been in your hands for some days, so with your permission, I will take them as read. You will observe that Rent Account shows an increase over 1897 of \$8,194.18, and we estimate the current year will show a still larger increase under this heading. The Company with a rent roll sufficient in itself to pay a fair dividend, and valuable land at Kowloon in reserve, available for new buildings, will thus be in a very sound position. The 250 Dock shares held by the Company as a temporary investment on 31st Dec last and against which they had borrowed \$50,742.38 from the Hongkong Bank were sold in the early part of the year at a profit of \$1,000.00. The Company has also been required to provide for payments due on building contracts and you will notice in this connection that there has been an increase during the year of \$174,624.87 in the amount invested in property, about half of which is represented by new purchases and about half by new buildings. You will note amongst the assets, an item of \$50,000.00 Deposit with Hongkong Government. This forms part of our contribution to the West-End Park scheme. As the amount has to be repaid by the Government under certain contingencies, we have not considered it advisable to write it off. The Park when finished, should greatly improve the lettable value of your Richmond Estate property. The whole of our building operations during the past year have been confined to Kowloon. We completed the terrace of 8 houses known as Granville Avenue in March last, and the 4 houses known as 'Oranby Villas' in November. We commenced the erection of another terrace of 7 houses in the early part of the year. These are nearly finished, and have been all let from completion at remunerative rentals. At the last meeting of shareholders, informed you we had acquired the good building lots at Yau-mate. Payment for these was made in shares carrying dividend from 1st January 1898. On one of the lots we are putting up 17 x 3 storied Chinese houses, which are now nearing completion, and should be ready for occupation by the end of March. On this side of the water we have done no building, but we have acquired a large and valuable estate on the Peak Road, comprising Inland Lot 147, Sec. A.1, Lot 146, 1. Lot 1206 and 1. Lot 1485. All these lots are built on with the exception of 1. Lot 1485, upon which we propose to put up two fine houses as soon as possible. Our building programme for this year provides also for another fourteen houses at Kowloon. At present we have no houses to let anywhere. If there are any questions to ask, I shall be pleased to answer them.

No questions being asked, the Chairman proposed the adoption of the Report and Accounts. Mr. Cox seconded.

The Chairman proposed the re-election of Mr. Fullerton Henderson as auditor. Mr. Mancell seconded.

The Chairman—That is all the business of the meeting. Dividend warrants are now ready and can be had by application at the office. Thank you for your attendance.

"CHINA, ANGLO-AMERICA AND CORN."

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Granville Sharpe delivered a lecture under the above title, before the Odd Volumes Society, at the City Hall. A fairly large audience was present and the chair was taken by Colonel Ewart, who briefly introduced the lecturer. We regret that pressure upon our columns prevents us from giving a more detailed account of the address.

Mr. Sharpe commenced by saying: "There is one consolation in speaking upon such a subject as this, as one feels satisfied that none of the young men who are present have been deprived of a pleasant walk. Perhaps some of you expected to hear a lecture from Dr. Jordan. The Doctor is not able to be here this afternoon, and I have been asked to do my best to supply this lack of services. You will all be glad to know that the pleasure is only postponed and that we shall have the promised opportunity of hearing Dr. Jordan this day week. The lecturer then explained that his paper had been written for a New York audience and begged his hearers to consider themselves as such for the nonce.

Mr. Sharpe then went on to explain how he claimed some connection with the United States through his relative, Granville Sharp, the slave liberator. He then pointed out how England and America had many aims in common and how, should the Anglo-American Union become an accomplished fact and be carried out in the spirit which now animates the English speaking race throughout the world, it would probably be a more powerful and far-reaching influence than any which has happened in the nineteenth century. Turning to the plea of the Spaniards, Mr. Sharpe demonstrated how they had no claim to the Philippines, owing to their inability to effectively occupy them or protect the inhabitants. The Government of these islands, and the unjust exactions and oppressions inflicted upon the trade of Manila have, for decades past, been a scandal and disgrace; and the port authorities have been a terror to ship captains and their owners. The bad seed has, at last, brought forth bitter fruit, and the foreign traders and native merchants in China and Hongkong will rejoice to see the Stars and Stripes, as emblems of liberty and justice, floating from their battlements. At the same time we cannot forget the costly Spanish military officers whom we have occasionally met with in our travels.

There cannot be the shadow of a doubt, said the lecturer, that we are approaching a crisis in Chinese affairs, of which the Governments of Europe and America are well aware. Those who lead public opinion have, in their recent pregnant though veiled utterances, given expression to this thought. The responsibilities of Britain and the United States have evidently not yet reached their limit. We may well contemplate the future with serious gravity. To-morrow's sun, may dawn upon an altered world. One thing is clear and indisputable, viz., that we have not yet done with China, indeed it is probable that in the future, we shall, as nations, have much more to do with China and the Chinese than we have had before.

The lecturer then praised the Chinese for their faithfulness to European masters, calling attention to the fact that servants often remained with us for many years, and also related how a Chinese boy was saved from drowning in a bay by three Chinese fishermen.

After referring to our difficulties with the Chinese Government, Mr. Sharpe pointed out that for all practical purposes, China, as a nation, is non-existent at the present time. The integrity of China, is entirely a phantom. There is no such thing. It is therefore idle to

dream, talk, and write of its preservation. Neither is reinstatement, restoration, or amendment possible. There is no foundation; there are no chief materials which might be employed. The people are unprepared, the rulers and legislators are absolutely and wholly worthless.

In answer to the question: is the present Manchu Dynasty worth preserving? Mr. Sharpe said that whilst we say bad things of China's rulers, we must always remember they are the victims of a vicious system, which probably dates from the very commencement of the Manchu Dynasty; and, considering its inherent weakness, the wonder and the marvel is that it has not fallen to pieces long ago. Notwithstanding the consistent and painstaking efforts of Britain during the last half century to preserve what has been called, her 'integrity,' China is regarded by the world at large as a dead weight. Her dismemberment must shortly come to pass, whether by agreement among the Powers or otherwise, and in the serious opinion of very many who know most about it, the sooner this happens the better for all, including the Chinese themselves. What is on the lips of everyone cannot be unknown to those in authority; and however its expression may be veiled behind pleasant conventionalities, the time cannot be far off when this fact must be clearly enunciated by our Ministers, and the conduct of our Governments be shaped accordingly. Lord Palmerston truly said that there were few able to foresee the consequences of events which had not happened. We may cherish the full confidence, however, that these things are not hidden from our Prime Minister, or the President of the United States, and that our Governments are well prepared for the eventualities.

China, in her length and breadth, from Peking and Tientsin in the North to Hankow and Shanghai in the middle, and to Canton and Hongkong in the South, will shortly be brought entirely and absolutely under the power and control of the European Nations, America, and Japan. To this end the principle of the sphere of influence is but a pretence, and the occupation, the sequence, natural and unavoidable. And is any justification needed? It would appear that the British Government recognises the necessity. And who can dare to blame their conscientiousness?

Lord Salisbury's diplomacy was formerly severely criticised, and the opinion was freely expressed that British interests in China were being sacrificed. We believed that the course which has been followed has been dictated by the highest principles. There is not one of those best informed who would be quite willing to undertake, without hesitation, the difficult and responsible duties of Prime Minister, who claims our admiration for the judicial spirit in which foreign relations are considered and discussed. The *Times* lately expressed the idea, in connexion with this subject, that it was infinitely better to suffer wrong than to do it, and better far to be deceived by the cunning of another than ever to suspect, and so lose confidence in human nature. It is our national love of justice and of right which has restrained the advance of our policy in China, and we cannot believe that God, in his good providence, will permit us, as a nation, to suffer from this cause. There are, sometimes, considerations even higher than law, and better than abstract justice and absolute consistency. Before taking action, we may ask ourselves: Are we quite sure of motives? Are we actuated by the fear of God, and is our object the good of men? Can we sincerely ask God's blessing on fresh enterprise, and with confidence expect it if it be so, then we can go forward without fear.

The Chairman then, in a short speech, thanked Mr. Sharpe for his interesting address saying that personally he in some ways differed from Mr. Sharpe as regarded his pessimistic views on China, but of course his knowledge was nothing as compared to Mr. Sharpe's. He, however, had seen and knew the improvement effected by England in India. Mr. Sharpe spoke about the corruption in China and the many drawbacks connected with that country, but to understand China was to forgive China. She was placed in a peculiar position. She was far removed from western influence, and he thought the fact that she existed at all was a sign that she could not be so worthless as some people would have them believe. He heartily agreed with Mr. Sharpe's remarks as to an Anglo-American alliance.

The meeting then terminated.

PEKING NOTES.

Our native correspondent at Peking, writing under date of the 6th instant, reports the death in the prison of the Board of Punishments on the 4th inst. of the ex-General Yeh Chih-chao, "of Yashan fame," during the late war. It will probably be recalled that Yeh was sent by H. E. Li Hung-chang, then Viceroy of Chihli and Commander-in-Chief of the land and naval forces of the Peking administration, in June, 1894 to Korea with about 1,500 men, just prior to the war with Japan, in order to assist the Koreans to crush the Tongkook rebels near Yashan, and in the breaking up of the war in July was attacked there by the Japanese who had in the meanwhile occupied Seoul. General Yeh however, the night before the attack departed, having no ammunition for his men, leaving the brunt of the fighting to his lieutenant General Nish, now his successor as Provincial Commander-in-Chief of Chihli. Nish extricated himself from his perilous position at Yashan and retreated after his Chief whose "strategic movement to the rear" was apparently so rapid that the lieutenant only managed to get up with him at Pingyang, several days afterwards. Instead of owing up to his defeat, which he might easily have done owing to the known great numerical superiority of the Japanese at Yashan, Yeh proclaimed himself, instead, the hero of innumerable victories over the Japanese, whom he reported to the Throne he had slain by tens of thousands in the great pitched fight at Yashan and during his retreat to Pingyang. But confronted with facts by the Emperor, he was ordered to be imprisoned, in Peking, to await decapitation during the autumn assizes of 1895. By the use, however, of immense amounts of sycee Yeh got his execution postponed from time to time, until the privations of his prison and the dis-appointments arising from the failure of frequent attempts to buy pardon from the Throne were too much for him and he breathed his last in the prison from which he was to have been led out for execution four years ago.

It will also be remembered that there were with Yeh three other Generals and Kung Tsoai, the ex-Civil Commandant of Port Arthur, under similar sentences of death at the time Kung Tsoai and two Generals having been condemned for cowardice and abandoning Port Arthur to the Japanese, and General Ching of Newchwang who ran away from that place as soon as the Japanese scouts appeared. Of these the last named and another General died natural deaths a year or two after their imprisonment, and now Yeh having also joined the great majority, only Kung Tsoai and a General named Huang occupy their old quarters in the Board of Punishments prison to await the coming of another autumn assizes, and buy another postponement of their execution.

As soon as Yeh's death was reported to the President of the Board of Punishments by the head govt., the matter was reported to the Throne and the Court of Censors was ordered to hold an inquest. A bridge of wood and bamboo was made over the walls of the prison and the dead body wrapped in a red shroud

passed over it, and handed to a party of runners of the Court of Censors waiting for it on the other side, in the street. The body was then carried to a temple near by where it was placed in the five "caskets" of Peking, who had been appointed to hold the inquest. The body having been examined and identified it was then turned over to the deceased ex-General's family to be placed in a coffin for burial. It is stated that the head govt. of the Board of Punishments charged Yeh's family Tls. 500 for the construction of this bridge alone; otherwise the corpse would have been shoved through a small aperture, broken for the occasion, through the prison walls, which was not to be thought of as this would have placed Yeh's soul in purgatory for ever, with never a chance of transmuting into some future human being.—*M. C. D. News.*

A NAVAL MARRIAGE.

A pretty wedding ceremony was celebrated this morning by the Rev. Father de Maria at St. Joseph's Church, Commander E. F. A. Gault, R.N., Commissioner of Wei-hai-wei and Administrator of Liu-kung Tau being united to Louise Geraldine Martyn, daughter of Mr. John Gregory Martyn, J.P., of Gregans Castle, Co. Clare.

The bride looked exceedingly pretty in a white satin dress trimmed with pearls and passementerie, with a short tulle veil, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses and tuberoses. The bridegroom wore uniform frock coat, cocked hat, sword and epaulettes, the best man, Commander C. D. Granville R.N., (H.M.S. *Centurion*), being also in uniform. The bride was given away by Captain Arthur C. Clarke, R.N., (H.M.S. *Undaunted*), and Mrs. Clarke, dressed in dove coloured silk trimmed with Maltese lace and a black tulle trimmed with grey chiffon and black wings, acted as the bride's mother. There were no bridesmaids.

Among the wedding guests were Vice-Admiral Sir Edward H. Seymour, K.C.B., Flag Captain J. R. Jellicoe, R.N., and Flag Lieutenant F. A. Powell, R.N., Rear Admiral S. C. Holland, Mrs. and the Misses Holland and Secretary, V. A. Lawford, R.N., Captain A. Schomberg, R.N., Mrs. Monckton, Madam The O'Gorman, Commander and Mrs. Pudsey Dawson, Fleet Surgeon and Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Lawless, Mrs. Close, Staff Surgeon and Mrs. Barnes, Commander C. H. Dare, R.N., Commander H. J. Davidson, R.N., Commander C. W. Plenderleith, R.N., Lieutenant and Commander The Hon. G. A. Harding, R.N., Lieutenant Hutton, R.N., Lieutenant West, R.N., and Lieutenant Fair, R.N.

After the ceremony, and the signing of the register, the path was lined by the officers present and a party of men from the flagship while the band of the flagship played the "Wedding March" and then followed the party to the "Tram" Station, where a special tram conveyed them to the Peak. At the Peak Hotel, the healths of the happy couple having been proposed by Captain Clarke and duly honoured, the party dispersed. The short honeymoon will be spent at Macao preparatory to starting for Wei-hai-wei on Sunday next.

CLIPPINGS FROM HOME PAPERS.

CENTRAL ASIATIC TRADE. The Calcutta Correspondent of *The Times* states:—A report by Captain Trench, political officer at Ladak, shows "the India-Yarkand trade is suffering from a rapid decline. In view of the future uncertainty of our trade with Chinese Turkestan and the chance that the 'open door' in that quarter may not always be open as now, it is our duty to look for a fresh field. In my opinion this is to be found in the direction of Tibet. A commercial invasion of that country, with the rich provinces of Kanton, Szechuan, and Shensi in China as the objective, would, I believe, be profitable. There are already some hopeful signs that the peasantry of Tibet are gradually losing their suspicious dislike of the trader from India. Between Ladak and Tibet trade is busy. To the few who are allowed to cross the border surely there is much to advocate a policy which should carry trade to South China. I hope that this report will, at any rate, be the means of drawing attention to Tibet and its possible use as a trade market."

Mr. G. Macartney, British Agent at Yarkand, furnishes a subsidiary proof showing that the decrease of trade with Turkestan is solely due to Russian competition.

THE RUSSIAN BUDGET. The Russian Naval Budget for the ensuing year presents no feature which might justify the idea that the projects of Russia are other than peaceable. The sum devoted to "unforeseen needs," which previously had been fixed at a considerable figure, has been decreased to 247,394 roubles, and this may be regarded as a symptom that the preparation of war material is to go on quite quietly, just as is ordinarily the case. The foreign trade of Russia for the year 1897, amounted to 1,771,732,000 roubles, or 97,500,000 roubles more than the last year. It is, however, pointed out that the ordinary revenue shows an excess of 6,650,000 roubles over and above the corresponding expenditure, while a deficit of 98,604,000 roubles on account of extraordinary expenditure for railways is fully covered by the reserve fund of the Treasury, amounting at the beginning of the year to 115,000,000 roubles. It is thus satisfactory to learn that there is no need for another loan for the purposes of the present Budget. In connection with the large increase of Russian indebtedness of late years, Mr. Witte points out the large outlays made for reproductive purposes, such as the purchase or construction of railways, while no less than 435,000,000 roubles have been paid to the State Bank for the redemption of paper currency. A memorandum is to be addressed by the Russian Government to the Powers, suggesting the programme of the Peace Conference. The most important proposals are that naval and military forces should not be increased for a fixed period, that a limit should be put upon the use of murderous inventions in warfare; and that an agreement should be arrived at to submit to the mediation of disinterested Powers international disputes, "which lead themselves to such means," in order to avoid armed conflicts.

MR. KESWICK. The writ for the Epsom by-election was received on 16th ult. by the High Sheriff of Surrey, who fixed 23rd ult. for the nominations, and 28th for the polling. Mr. W. Keswick lost no time in making arrangements for his campaign, which they have now decided not to attempt. In his address, Mr. Keswick stated that from these objects of the Government he is a Conservative and a staunch supporter of Lord Salisbury's Administration. He believes in progressive reform, and the judicious introduction of the changes which the ever growing intelligence of the people, and the steady development of wealth, and of scientific and mechanical knowledge, become necessary to enable the country to maintain the ascendancy in the world to which it has attained. He, therefore, desires to see every abuse swept away, and will support measures well-considered and effective, and calculated to promote the contentment and prosperity of the people.

For the maintenance of Imperial interests it was necessary that the naval forces should be of overwhelming strength, and all measures to that end would receive his hearty support. And

believing that the nation has in Lord Salisbury the most experienced and prudent statesman, he should support his policy and conduct of foreign affairs.

Some dissatisfaction has been expressed in the Molesey, Esher, the Dittons, and Tolworth parts of the Epsom Division, over the selection of Mr. Keswick as the Conservative candidate, for the reason that they had not been consulted on the subject. It is even said that in the event of no Liberal candidate appearing, there is a possibility that Mr. Barker will contest the seat with Mr. Keswick. Sutton, for some reason, also objects to Mr. Keswick, not personally, but because it was not consulted, and felt on its dignity. It was because there were so many Richmonds in the field, however, whose rival claims were embarrassing, that Mr. Keswick, apart from the qualifications he possesses, seems just the man for the constituency, which requires at once a county man, as a tribute to its rural susceptibilities, and a commercial man, who should be able to represent the City men who form a good proportion of the votes. The loyal way in which nearly everyone is rallying round Mr. Keswick is significant of the real strength of the party.

NOTANDA.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot.

TO-MORROW, the 22nd day of February, 1899, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command.

T. SERCOMBE SMITH, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 4th February, 1899.

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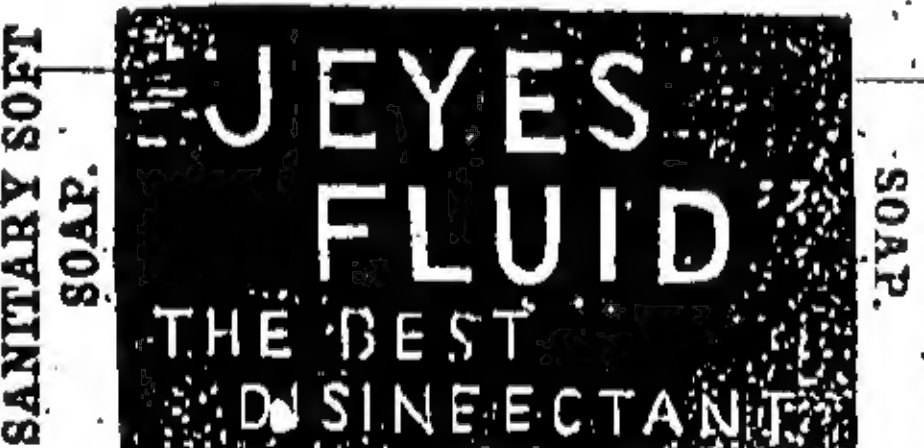
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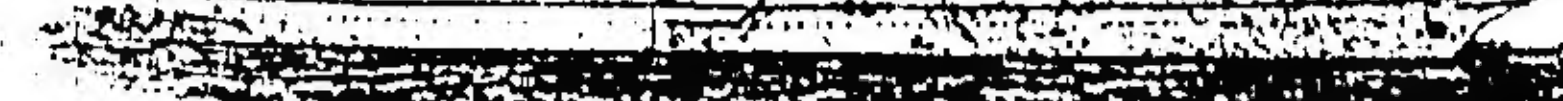
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SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Thursday, 23rd March, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Tuesday, 28th March, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Sunday, 1st April, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Friday, 6th April, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Wednesday, 11th April, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Monday, 16th April, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Saturday, 21st April, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Thursday, 26th April, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Tuesday, 31st April, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Sunday, 6th May, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Friday, 11th May, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Wednesday, 16th May, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Monday, 21st May, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Saturday, 26th May, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Thursday, 31st May, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Tuesday, 5th June, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Sunday, 10th June, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Friday, 15th June, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Wednesday, 20th June, at Noon.

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SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Saturday, 30th June, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Thursday, 5th July, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Tuesday, 10th July, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Sunday, 15th July, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Friday, 20th July, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Wednesday, 25th July, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Monday, 30th July, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Saturday, 4th August, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Thursday, 9th August, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Tuesday, 14th August, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Sunday, 19th August, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Friday, 24th August, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Wednesday, 29th August, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Monday, 3rd September, at Noon.

SHIMAZU MARU, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, Saturday, 8th September, at Noon.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
ESSENIA.....	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN.	About 15th March.
Behrens.....	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	March.
SUEVIA.....	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN.	About 22nd March.
Coerck.....	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	March.
WITTENBERG.....	HAVRE, HAMBURG/BREMEN.	About 30th March.
Norden.....	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	March.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Tuesday, 14th March, at Noon.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Saturday, 8th April, at Noon.

Chim (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) Tuesday, 2nd May, at Noon.

THE U.S. Mail Chartered Steamship "CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, & HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 14th March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

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Prinzess Alice..... Wednesday 13th May.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of March, 1899, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Supper, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, & CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on Monday, the 27th instant. Cargo and Specie will be received on board, until 5 P.M. on Tuesday, the 28th instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on Tuesday, the 28th instant. Contents of Packages are required. No Freight Receipts will be signed for less than 25.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Cubic Feet in Measurement.

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